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WASHINGTON, D.C., March 19 --- U.S. Sen. Bob Dole (R-Kans.) today requested additional allocations by the Senate Appropriations Committee for Water District and Farm Ownership Loans for the Farmers Home Administration.

Dole submitted his request to the Agricultural Appropriations Subcommittee of the Senate Appropriations Committee on the concluding day of hearings on the agriculture budget for fiscal 1971.

"In the state of Kansas," Dole said, "there are 107 rural water districts awaiting allocations of additional loan funds for water districts." "Some," he said, "have been waiting for six years."

The Kansas senator said that young men entering farming today usually find that their first need is for financial credit. "Due to their youth and lack of established credit, many cannot obtain funds for the purchase of a farm from conventional sources," Dole explained. "Farmers Home administration can provide this assistance as part of the farm ownership loan service," he said.

Dole asked that funds for both Water District and Farm Ownership loans be at least restored to the original budgeted amounts.